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New Application

Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of an application for patent in the name(s) of: Eckhard Bez, Stefan Zabeschek

entitled: MULTI-STAGE RECIPROCATING VACUUM PUMP AND METHOD OF OPERATING THE SAME

	Continuing Application
	Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part (CIP) of prior application serial no, filed
	[Note: If priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 involves a series of respectively copending applications, then in this amendment identify each and its relationship to its immediate predecessor.]
_	The prior application is assigned of record to
_	This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f) and the amounts shown in parentheses below have been employed in calculating the fee:

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	A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been the number next following the highest number	properly numbered consered original claim in the	ecutively beginning with prior application.)	
	Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)			
X	New formal drawings are enclosed.			
<u>X</u>	Certified copy of each foreign priority application on which the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 is based was filed in prior U.S. application serial no., filed. A list of said foreign priority application(s) is (are) provided below. Acknowledgement thereof is requested.			
	<u>Application Nos.</u> 102 49 062.7	Filed 10/22/02	<u>In</u> Germany	

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 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 (X)
 - Any filing fees required under 37 CRF 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims. (X)

Respectfully submitted,

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The fol	llowing are enclosed:
<u>X</u> <u>X</u> <u>X</u>	Specification (11 pages) & Abstract 2 Sheet(s) of Drawings 7 Claim(s) (including 2 independent claim(s)) This application contains a multiple dependent claim Information Diclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and references;
<u>X</u>	This filing fee has been calculated on the basis of the claims as amended by any enclosed preliminary amendment as follows:
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	Signed Statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 C.F.R 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))
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hereby incorporated by reference therein.